FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 177

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board **ANALYSTS:** Harry Bell and Rodney Grizzle DATE: January 24, 2005 SBD: 2005040 **AUTHOR:** Senator Leventis PRIMARY CODE CITE: 20-4-150 SUBJECT: Misdemeanor Shipping, Transporting or Possession of a Firearm

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 177 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Sections 16-25-95 and 20-4-150 which makes it unlawful for a person convicted of a misdemeanor criminal domestic violence offense, which meets certain conditions, or is subject to a Protection Order to ship, transport, posses or receive a firearm or ammunition. Each new offense has appropriate penalties provided.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Judicial Department indicates there will be no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Responses from local governments indicate enactment would have little or no impact on local governments.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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